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It seems that there may be a repetition of the trouble of 1916 in Ohio in the supply of automobile tags for 1917. Then, it will be remembered, there were hundreds of arrests of automobilists who could not secure tags, and unanimous complaint that the tags furnished were below standard and not up to specifications. Later developed the scandal and the refusal of the auditor of state to pay the bill in the contract between Secretary of State Hildebrandt and State Senator C. W. Wickline, by which there was to be an unearned profit of \$12,000. In the supreme court hearing the facts came out, that there had been no competitive bids, that the contractor was not a manufacturer, and that he had sublet the contract for a cheaper tag at a great profit. The supreme court upheld the watchful auditor. The last result was that the Republicans of his district denied Mr. Wickline re-nomination for the senate.

After much delay and the secret opening of bids, this year the contract was awarded to the Abbott Stamping Company of Detroit. Registrar Walker said this concern could make the cheapest tags because they were located in the heart of the automobile industry. The steel that comes as by-products of fenders and the like, is not of the quality demanded in the Ohio specifications, commercially known as "Picked Annealed and Cold Rolled Tagger's Iron, Sheward Quality." This means that again the specifications will be disregarded in all likelihood. The alternative would be that the company was deliberately seeking business at a considerable loss. It will be the part of wisdom for Ohio to see to it that there is a paymaster on the job in Ohio who will not see anything put over on the state, as was attempted in the auto tag deal this year.

It develops on investigation that the Abbott Stamping Company DOES NOT MAKE TAGS, but that they sublet the contract to another concern. They had one contract of this nature the past year, and on its completion stated that the company would become inactive. The contracting company is a small concern with only \$6,000 capitalization.

There is no doubt that the people generally understand the benefit to be derived from President Wilson's strong appeal for the passage of the child labor bill. Read what the Sandusky Register, Republican, has to say about it:

"Many good men and women who are deeply moved by any such scourge of childhood as an infantile paralysis epidemic never give a thought to child labor, and yet it is likely that the ravages of the latter evil, year in and year out, are vastly greater than those of infantile paralysis at its worst. The effects are slower and less perceptible, but none the less sure. The whole country has cause for satisfaction in the prospect of the passage of the child labor bill now pending in the United States senate. It has passed the house by a good majority in a non-partisan vote, and the combined pressure of the president and the Republican senate leaders should suffice to enact it before the close of the present session. The measure prohibits the employment of children under fourteen, limits to 8 hours a day the employment of children from 14 to 16, and forbids night work for children. The standard is none too high, but it is something to establish even a moderate national standard in this matter. Much progress has been made in state legislation, but there has always been the objection that it was unfair to enact such repressive laws in one state while a state with competing industries persisted in using cheap child labor. The moral issue, of course, should be placed ahead of merely economic considerations. Nevertheless, it is right that there should be no discrimination between states, and thus there is additional argument for congressional action."

Mrs. Estelle Smith of the Kokosing flats went to Newark Wednesday to attend the camp-meeting of the Seventh Day Adventists.

Mrs. H. A. Hanna of West High street is spending a few days with relatives in Cleveland.

## The Center Corner School

Interesting Historical Narrative Of Various Structures, When Erected And Whom They Housed, As Read By Miss Ella Talmage At Reunion—Late Columbus Delano A One-Time Pupil

The Center Corner School reunion was held August 2, 1916, in the Talmage grove near Chesterville, Ohio.

Quite a number of the former teachers and scholars were present and, following a bounteous dinner, a fine program was rendered as follows:

Song—Maureen and Marian Footo. Travelogue—Horatio Markley.

Songs—Edna Eike, Ellen Acten, Mammaw Girls and Dora Richards. Reading—Fern Markley.

A history of the Center school was read by Miss Ella Talmage, a former teacher, which is as follows:

The history of Center school covers a period of almost one hundred years, commencing with the erection of a school house in 1820 A. D., and the gathering in of the children of the few settlers in this locality.

Then trees stood thick on our new well-cultivated fields, deers were still to be found in the forests, wolves and sometimes bears were seen. Also an occasional red man made his appearance at the settlement.

That was before the days of railroads, telegraphy, phonographs, kerosene lights, electric lights, telephones, automobiles, etc.

The patient oxen served as beasts of burden and were also used in traveling from place to place.

This was then the far west. But to return to the house, it was bulid of round logs and unplastered. A fire place occupied the length of one end and into it, in winter were thrown huge sticks of wood which were furnished by the patrons of the school.

Sometimes logs were hauled in by a farmer and chopped up at noon-time by his sons who attended the school. How would the boys of today enjoy such exercises?

The seats consisted of slabs of wood with legs put in them. There were no desks, no blackboards, no chalk, no grammar and no geography. The English reader, Noah Webster's spelling book and an arithmetic called the Western Calculator were the books used.

The house stood a few rods east of where Josiah Ruggles now lives. The first teacher that can be remembered was L. D. Morier, who lived in a log house on the farm now owned by William Shaffer.

The next teacher was a Methodist minister, a Mr. McDonald, and the last term in that house was taught by Uncle Wm. Campbell, whom many of us remember.

The following are the names of some of the pupils enrolled that last year: Henry Talmage, Sr., Phoebe Townsend, Lodema Lanning, Nelson Gordon, Amanda DeCamp, The Fogles and the Walkers. The number of pupils was about twenty-five.

In those days the teachers "boarded round" a week at a place, or a night at a place and in meditating on this phase of school history we can not with the poet say:

"Backward, turn backward, O, years in your flight."

A teacher's wages were for a lady in the summer \$1.50 to \$2.00 per week and board and for a man in winter \$8 to \$15 per month and board. They had no public school system as now and a teacher was paid by the patrons, each paying according to the number of pupils he sent, the price varying with the enrollment.

The district was then much larger, comprising what it now contains and a part of Chester township. It extended as far south as Mahoning and east to Monroe Emerson's.

The second house was built of logs, but they were hewed and it was coiled inside. The seats were similar to those in the first house, but some desks were provided. It also had a fire-place but a stove was used a short time the last year it was occupied.

It was located in the field north of Josiah Ruggles house and was built in 1829 A. D. There was no outlay of money in erecting these two houses as the people of the neighborhood turned out and helped to prepare the logs and put up the structures.

As the country was becoming more thickly settled, the attendance at school increased, being between thirty-five and forty. In these good old days the boys and girls wore homemade boots and shoes and clothes made of cloth spun and woven at home.

Some of the early teachers were Bruce Paccard, Robert Hickman and Phoebe Talmage.

Only one pupil survives, our chairman, J. N. Talmage spent his first year in school there in 1836. He was then six years of age. That house was used as a place of worship by the Methodists, the first organization of that body in this part of Ohio being effected within its humble walls. There Bishop Hamlin commenced his work in the ministry.

Among the many pupils who have passed in and out of its doors and sat under the instructions of its teachers, was the late Hon. Columbus Delano, who was for many years a successful

lawyer and was sent to congress first as representative and later as senator from Mt. Vernon district.

He was also a member of Grant's cabinet.

In the spring of 1837 the third house, a frame structure, was built on a lot just north-west of the present school-house. Doubtless many present at this reunion remember that "little red house." It now stands nearby on Mr. Reed's place. It was seated similar to the previous ones, the desks running along the side of the house and stationary benches placed in front of them so that when sat at his desk he faced the wall. Later these were replaced by more modern seats and desks. Even in that house there were no blackboards for many years and the first one procured was eight and a half feet by five feet. Some of the larger pupils would not use it, not being accustomed to such modern inventions.

Teachers were paid after the old plan until somewhere between 1855-60. The teachers in this third schoolhouse were as follows: Elizabeth Gregg, Hannah Dunn, Hannah Brown, Emaline Lord, Amanda Brown, Deborah Winters, Frank Beebe, Martha Welling, Hiram Dunn, Henry George, Barak Dickerson, Cyrus Hosack, Isaac Gates, Lydia Wetherby, Hamilton Welling, Lemuel Mann, Chalmers Sellers, Flint Brown, Dick Willison, Flora James, Mrs. M. J. Stump, Mrs. Abbie Harrod, Elizabeth Disman, W. S. Brown, Candace Phipps, Wm. Stackhouse, Miss Hendershot, Mrs. Shaffer and Frank Boner.

The public school system was adopted but the teachers continued to "board round." During the early history of that house, the grammar was introduced and previous to that time the U. S. history was brought into the school. Miss Elizabeth Gregg of Batemantown taught the first term. Mrs. Stump, Miss Flora James, Mrs. Abbie Harrod, Miss Elizabeth Disman, Wilson Boone, Miss Candace Phipps, Wm. Stackhouse, Frank Boner and Mrs. Shaffer are a few of the instructors of later years. Some of their pupils are here today.

For thirty-nine long years that house served as the place to educate the youth of the neighborhood, and many, very many, were the feet that tripped over the threshold. Of the number who went out from its doors some settled near home following the pursuits of their fathers; others went to seek their fortunes in the far west or distant lands; many have lain down in their last sleep, some having found a resting place in the little burying ground so near the scene of their childhood's hopes and sorrows while in school.

When the Civil War broke out there were brave ones who volunteered to fight for the cause of our dear Republic, not many of those are now numbered among the living. Some who spent their early years of school life there became teachers, professors, ministers, editors, lawyers, judges, doctors and bankers. Time would fail me to name them all.

But everything grows old and that old school house was no exception. It was judged too poor and small to longer serve the purpose for which it was built, so in 1875 the M. E. church which was erected in 1851 and stood on an adjoining lot, being no longer used as a place of worship was repaired and converted into a school-house.

Wm. Kennedy first held sway there, he was followed by Wm. Smily, Prof. John and Charles Kroat, James Jones, Horatio Markley, Dr. Eastman and many others whom space forbids me to name. Several of the pupils later became teachers of the rising generation. William Kennedy, Wm. Smiley, Mrs. Belle Lanning, Mrs. Carp Smiley, John Smalles, James Jones, John Kroat, Chas. Kroat, Luella Modi, Flora Reed, Frank Powell, Dr. Eastman, Mrs. W. B. Mann, Horatio Markley, Mrs. Melissa Poeneck, Ella Talmage, Clara McGaughy, Mrs. Lottie McNay, Miss Fredericks, Mrs. Hattie Hair, Brad Mann, Mrs. Dora Lloyd, Mrs. Ella Lloyd, Mamie Barrett were some of the teachers.

The school had its highest term enrollment while occupying that fourth house. The students fought with the multiplication table and long columns of spelling, with knotty problems and difficult sentences as elsewhere. Many were victorious and are rewarding the patient teachers by leading useful and happy lives as farmers, carpenters, editors, doctors, merchants, teachers, church workers and home makers bringing blessings to those about them. Much of their success is due to the training received in school.

And now we come to the fifth and last house which was built in 1889, Mr. Guss Brown the first teacher has been followed by twenty or more instructors, (including our secretary) many of whom with some of their pupils are with us today. Names of teachers: Guss Brown, Clint Higgins, Mrs. Clint

Higgins, Reed House, Herbert Gates, Clyde Patterson, Norris Melott, Milton Levering, Reece Gale, Mrs. Ora Johnson, Mrs. Leona Strang, Mrs. Bert McCrany, Mrs. Myrtle Bacheider, Bert Crafts, Mrs. Clara Gordon, Lizzie Salisbury, Nina Conrad, Gold Slack, Eva Lenker, Mrs. Laura Dunham, Mary Snyder and Lela Wilson.

As we look back over the quarter of a century it has stood and note the results of some of the work done with in its walls, seeing many of its former pupils and teachers filling positions of trust and usefulness, we realize this is still the Center.

One former pupil went from us as a missionary to far away Africa. Another lives in the southland. A former teacher Reed Houser, is now a surgeon in the Philippines, another is in California. One is county auditor and has been a member of the teachers' board of examiners. Another pupil is superintendent of a state test farm. Others are doing their work part of the world's work in different walks of life some far away and some nearby.

Though the present enrollment is small the school with all its up-to-date books, methods and facilities working under a graded system with county and township superintendents and such a history back of it should make splendid progress. Its teachers and pupils having their names in future years, written down on the pages of our school history as good and noble men and women who have acted well their part here and graduated to that Higher School above, remembering

We are building every day  
A temple the world may not see;  
Building, building every day,  
Building for eternity.

## FAIRVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sherman of Edison spent Sunday with relatives here.

Elsie McWilliams and children returned home Saturday after a week's visit with A. T. Oldaker and family.

Clela Cull of Baltimore is the guest of Lucile Channel.

Emory Davis and wife of Martinsburg called on Grandma Weaver Sunday.

Don't forget to come to the Pine Hill school reunion of teachers and pupils, Saturday, Aug. 19. Everyone invited.

Sunday, Aug. 27, will be rollick day at the church. Every member requested to be present. Rev. Barret of Dayton will conduct the services on Sunday, also every night of the following week Come and be benefited.

Vernon Cullison of Newark returned home Monday after a few days' visit at Wilson Black's.

W. M. Clem and family of Newark attended the funeral of Joseph Murphy here Sunday.

Charles Channol spent Friday and Saturday at Baltimore.

Louisa Householder of Johnstown visited Grandma Harris last week.

Gladya Lohr is visiting relatives at Edison this week.

Brnice and Juanita Oldaker were the guests of Newark relatives last week.

James Oldaker and wife of Centerburg attended services here Sunday.

## HOWARD

George McMillen is working in Newark at his trade, that of a carpenter.

Quite a few of our people are attending Camp Sycarh this week.

Mrs. Platner's house is receiving a coat of paint this week. H. C. Dunmire and sons are doing the work.

D. W. Platner and wife are attending conference at Shadley church this week.

Mr. Mercer and wife of Pittsburgh were the guests of H. Sims over last Sunday. Mr. Mercer is the father of Mrs. Sims.

Burr S. Critchfield and wife attended the Workman reunion last Saturday.

Jay Stough and wife are visiting friends at Newark this week.

Walter Hauger has rented the home of Mrs. Bereh and will take possession in the near future.

Frank Wolf and wife started to Cedar Point last Monday and expect to be gone a week or ten days.

There were no services in either church last Sunday on account of the infantile paralysis scare.

## LIBERTY CHAPEL

Mrs. Harry Blue and children spent last week with Clifford Blue of near Chesterville.

Mrs. Peter Harmon and Mrs. Chaucery Harmon and daughter, Alice, were guests of Mrs. Frank Edminister Thursday.

Richard Dunham and wife of Kansas are visiting relatives and friends of this place this week.

Miss Frances Cochran spent last week visiting her sister, Mrs. E. Ogg. Mrs. A. M. Ewalt spent Tuesday

with her daughter, Mrs. Verna Harmon.

Dr. Ogg of Utica has purchased the Pearson house and is having Ezra Bishop of Sparta move it on his farm. He will have it remodeled for a barn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cochran called on friends last Thursday at Pataskala.

Mrs. Harry Blue and children and Mrs. Rosa Grubb and children spent Wednesday with Mrs. Joseph Ogg.

Edith Ogg and family and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ogg of Mt. Vernon and Miss Frances Cochran went to Cardington Sunday.

C. M. Boltinghouse and J. W. Grubb made a business trip to Columbus one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rinehart visited in Jellaway Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fry visited with Joseph Fry and family of Gambler Sunday.

Miss Ella Matthews and Miss Florence Berry of Chicago returned home Saturday after a several days' visit with friends here.

J. A. Kost and J. W. Page of Dawson City were in this place Saturday night.

Miss Myrtle Belt of Johnstown is the guest of her uncle, Jeremiah Belt, and family this week.

J. E. Lantz and family of Akron were the guests of friends here Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Scott returned home Tuesday evening, after a several days' visit at Hedding Chapel.

## DR. DOUGLASS

WILL BEAR PORTION OF SANATORIUM ROAD EXPENSE

Dr. Stephen A. Douglass of the Ohio State Sanatorium has generously offered to contribute money for placing in shape the road which leads from Academia to the sanatorium entrance.

The cost of the work will approximate \$500, of which the commissioners of Knox county have agreed to pay \$200. A recent meeting was held by the commissioners with the trustees of Monroe and Morris townships, when it was decided to improve the road.

Every energy will be bent toward placing the road in shape before winter sets in. The work of grading, draining and graveling will be started very shortly under the supervision of the trustees of the two townships.

## Wanted, For Sale, &c

FOR SALE—Forty heavy-shearing, long-fleeced Delaine-Merino rams and ram lambs for 1916 season. All my own breeding and raising. Also a few ewes. At farmers' prices. H. V. Ulrey, Martinsburg, O. Citizens' phone 1 red 63, Bladenburg exchange. 10-6s

FARM FOR SALE—I will help a worthy man with \$2,000 to \$3,000 get a good improved, well located 100 acres at a right price. W. C. Rockwell, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. 11

WANTED—A middle-aged Christian lady for light housework. Citizens' phone 146-B, Gambler exchange. 17422s

WANTED—Farm hand, by the month. F. P. Boner, Fredericktown, Ohio. 18418s

FOR SALE—Farm of 131 acres nicely located 3 1/2 miles from Centerburg, O., to settle an estate. New nine-room slate roof house, stable, crib, plenty of water, land lays level, all cleared and tillable except 7 acres. Price \$8,000. J. E. Litzberg, executor, Centerburg. 1649-5s

## SHERIFF'S SALE

Frank C. Hite, Assignee of John W. Tilton, plaintiff.

Grace E. Tilton et al, defendant. Knox Common Pleas. By virtue of Order of Sale in Partition issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Knox County, Ohio, and to me directed, I will offer for sale upon the premises in Martinsburg, Knox County, on

Saturday, the 23rd day of September, 1916

between the hours of 1 p. m. and 2 p. m. of said day, the following described lands and tenements, to-wit:

The following described real estate, situated in the Village of Martinsburg County of Knox and State of Ohio, and bounded and described as follows:

Being lots number one (1) and number (2) in said Village of Martinsburg (formerly Hanover) and bounded on the North by Ulica Street, on the East by Zanesville Street, on the South by an alley, and on the west by an alley as recorded in the plat of said Village in the office of the County Recorder of Knox County at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, excepting a strip thirty-six (36) feet wide off the south side of lot number two (2) which was conveyed to Alice B. Hancock by N. H. Thron. The above described real estate is situated in the Village of Martinsburg, Township of Clay, County of Knox and State of Ohio, being bounded on the North by Ulica Street, and on the East by Zanesville Street.

Appraised at Three Thousand Dollars. (\$3,000.)

Terms of sale—Said sale to be made on the premises and upon the following terms: One-third cash on day of sale; one-third in one year; and balance in two years the deferred payments to be secured by mortgage on the premises sold and to bear interest from the day of sale.

JOHN M. WOOLSON, Sheriff Knox County, Ohio.

Frank C. Hite, attorney for plaintiff.

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## Ringwalt's Friday & Saturday Specials

Friday, Aug. 18th:

50  
House  
Dresses  
\$1.00 value

48c

Saturday, Aug. 19th:

STANDARD CALICOES  
20 yards only to customer, yard..... 5c  
LOT OF FANCY SILKS  
Values up to \$1.00..... 49c  
BOYS 25c VESTS AND DRAWERS  
Balbriggan ..... 9c  
LADIES' 75c MUSLIN GOWNS  
Flesh color ..... 59c  
45 in. PILLOW TUBING  
18c value, per yard..... 12 1/2c  
REMNANTS  
of wool dress goods, about..... Half Price  
16x34 LINEN CRASH TOWELS  
25c value ..... 17c  
SHORT LENGTHS OF DRESS GINGHAMS  
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